IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-6 (Canceled):

Claim 7 (New): A filter paper pod for compacted coffee portions having a shape that is asymmetrical in relation to a sealing plane of a circular peripheral zone, wherein a central part is slightly sunk in relation to the plane.

Claim 8 (New): A filter paper pod of claim 7, wherein the coffee packed inside the pod does not adhere to the overlying central part of the asymmetrical pod.

Claim 9 (New): A filter paper pod of claim 7, having a degree of compacting calibrated so as to obtain good quality espresso coffee with portions of lower weight.

Claim 10 (New): A filter paper pod of any of claim 7, having a degree of compacting calibrated so as to obtain good quality espresso coffee with portions of equal weight.